

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/576,004 Confirmation No. 8918
Applicant: : Kris Filip Johan Jules Thielemans
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Examiner: : Nancy Bitar

Docket No. : PH0375
Customer No. : 36335

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 7, 2008, a response to which is due April 7, 2009 with a petition for a three-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Applicants hereby Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response for three (3) months from October 7, 2008 through January 7, 2009. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1110.00 to Deposit Account No. 502-665.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16(j) or 37 CFR 1.136(a) which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-665 in the name of GE Healthcare, Inc.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.